MINUTES OF THE FORESTRY, LAND, & OUTDOOR RECREATION COMMITTEE MEETING # 9-2006

DATE: April 5, 2006

TIME: 1:00 p.m.

PLACE: Committee Room # 1, 2nd Floor, Court House, Rhinelander, WI

PRESENT: Chair Rudolph; Committee Members Petroskey; Wickman; Wolk;

Forestry Staff: Bilogan; Fiene; Eckardt; DNR Liaison Forester Oradei;

Other Attendees: Les Felbab; Judy Swank; Larry Heath;

CWEA Representatives (Sean & Dave).

EXCUSED: Guy Hansen.

CALL MEETING TO ORDER—The meeting that had been properly posted in accordance with the procedures set forth by the Wisconsin Open Meeting Law was called to order by Chairman Rudolph at 1:02 p.m.

APPROVE REVISED AGENDA OF PRESENT MEETING—The revised agenda of the present meeting was approved on a motion by Wickman, seconded by Wolk, with the option of taking agenda items out of sequence. Motion carried.

APPROVE MINUTES OF MARCH 20, 2006 FORESTRY COMMITTEE MEETING—It was moved by Petroskey, seconded by Wickman, to approve the minutes of the March 20, 2006 Forestry Committee meeting. Motion carried.

ADVERTISING & PROMOTION:

a) MONTHLY REPORT BY JOHN PFEIFER OF ADVERTISING & PROMOTION ACTIVITIES, BUDGET, ETC.—John Pfeifer distributed a chart of Oneida County Tourism web site visits and related advertising and promotion activities, including those of the ad hoc tourism committee. It was moved by Petroskey, seconded by Wolk, to approve the monthly advertising & promotion report. Motion carried.

IT IS ANTICIPATED THAT A MOTION WILL BE MADE, SECONDED, AND APPROVED BY ROLL CALL VOTE TO ENTER INTO CLOSED SESSION FOR THE PURPOSE OF DELIBERATING OR NEGOTIATING THE PURCHASE OF PUBLIC PROPERTIES, THE INVESTING OF PUBLIC FUNDS, OR CONDUCTING OTHER SPECIFIED PUBLIC BUSINESS WHENEVER COMPETITIVE OR BARGAINING REASONS REQUIRE A CLOSED SESSION. SEC.19.85(1)(e) RE: HIGHWAY O SNOWMOBILE BRIDGE MATTER. It was moved by Petroskey, seconded by Wickman, to enter into closed session. Roll call vote: Wolk aye; Petroskey aye; Wickman aye; Rudolph aye. Motion carried.

A ROLL CALL VOTE WILL BE TAKEN FOR THE COMMITTEE TO RETURN TO OPEN SESSION—It was moved by Wickman, seconded by Petroskey, to return to open session. Roll call vote: Wolk aye; Petroskey aye; Wickman aye; Rudolph aye. Motion carried. Chairman Rudolph announced it was decided to accept the low bid of Janke General Contractors, Inc. for the Highway O Snowmobile steel bridge, subject to

discussions and negotiations with Janke General Contractors, Inc. with assistance from CWEA (Central Wisconsin Engineers and Architects).

HIGHWAY O SNOWMOBILE BRIDGE:

- a) PROJECT BUDGET AND FUNDING SOURCES. Budget and funding sources were reviewed.
- b) PRESENTATION FROM CWEA PERTAINING TO RECOMMENDATIONS ON HOW TO PROCEED WITH THE AWARDING OF THE HWY. O SNOWMOBILE BRIDGE CONTRACT. CWEA Representatives (Sean and Dave) gave input on various ways to proceed with the contract between Janke General Contractors, Inc. and Oneida County.

APPROVAL OF A STEWARDSHIP GRANT APPLICATION AND ASSOCIATED COUNTY BOARD RESOLUTION TO OBTAIN 50% COST-SHARE FUNDING FOR THE DEVELOPMENT OF NEW RECREATIONAL FACILITIES AND TRAILS PROPOSED FOR THE WASHBURN LAKE / PERCH LAKE RECREATION AREA—Forest Director Bilogan explained the stewardship grant application and associated resolution to obtain the 50% cost-share funding for the development of new recreation facilities and trails proposed for the Washburn Lake / Perch Lake Recreation Area. RASTA (Rhinelander Area Silent Trails Association) Representative Judy Swank was in attendance to support the grant. Bilogan explained funding sources were also available from Parks Capital Improvement or Mineral Resources accounts. It was moved by Wolk, seconded by Petroskey, to approve the stewardship grant application and associated county board resolution. Motion carried.

REVIEW OF NON-METALLIC MINING POLICIES CURRENTLY FOLLOWED FOR CRUSHING GRAVEL AND / OR THE SALE OF GRAVEL MATERIAL ORIGINATING FROM THE ONEIDA COUNTY FOREST—Bilogan distributed a revised crushable material and pit-run fill policy, with rates of 85 cents per cubic yard for crushable material and 60 cents per cubic yard for pit-run material. It was then moved by Wolk, seconded by Wickman, to approve (and sign) the revised policy. Motion carried.

ALMON PARK RESERVATIONS AFTER LABOR DAY—Bilogan explained that the Forestry Department had received a request for the use of the upper level of Almon Recreation Area (for a wedding on September 23, 2006). Bilogan stated that for various reasons the upper level of Almon Recreation Area is closed for the year / season after Labor Day weekend. It was moved by Wickman, seconded by Rudolph, to accommodate the request for the use of the upper level for the September 23, 2006 date. Voice vote: In favor: 3 ayes. Opposed: 1 nay (Wolk). Motion carried.

REPLACEMENT OF AN EXISTING EARTHEN BERM LOCATED IN THE CASSIAN / WOODBORO BLOCK OF THE ONEIDA COUNTY FOREST (SWSE SECTION 14, T37N-R7E) WITH A GATE—No written request had been received. It was moved by Wolk to deny request. No second to the motion. Motion not carried. The committee decided to place the request on a future agenda one more time and contact the land owner.

TIMBER SALE(S) FOR DISPOSITION—Contract # 1373 held by Stora Enso was closed as satisfactorily completed and refund cash deposit (\$5,755.00) on a motion by Petroskey, seconded by Wickman. Motion carried.

VOUCHERS AND BLANKET PURCHASE ORDERS FOR PAYMENT AND LINE ITEM TRANSFERS IF NECESSARY—The following vouchers were approved for payment on a motion by Wolk, seconded by Petroskey: DCI Building Center Inc. \$16.99; Feight's Trophies \$4.00; Fastenal Co. \$32.18; Oneida County Health Dept. \$225.00; Oneida County Highway Dept. \$734.41; WCFA \$44.05; Reed Business Information \$122.60; United Construction Inc. \$4,567.50; Stora Enso \$5,755.00; WDNR \$8,555.36. Motion carried. The following blanket purchase orders were approved for payment on a motion by Wolk, seconded by Petroskey: Wisconsin Public Service \$656.01; Culligan Water Conditioning \$58.00; Alltel \$44.97; Frontier \$42.00; Rhinelander Daily News \$240.03. Motion carried. No line item transfers.

AGENDA ITEMS FOR FUTURE FORESTRY COMMITTEE MEETINGS—15-Year Plan soil policy inclusion; berm / gate issue; Janke General Contractors, Inc. Hwy. O Bridge contract update.

PUBLIC COMMENTS—Bilogan informed the committee of the WCFA Summer Tour, June 29 and 30, in Hayward, WI.

ADJOURNMENT—With business completed, at 4:14 p.m., it was moved by Petroskey, seconded by Wickman, to adjourn the meeting. Motion carried.

THOMAS RUDOLPH CINDY ECKARDT COMMITTEE CHAIR RECORDING SECRETARY